

## City of Bloomington Commission on the Status of Children and Youth Meeting Minutes January 16, 2018

**Commissioners Present:** Georg'ann Cattelona, Matt Hanauer, Julie Warren, Amy Makice, and Fiora Pizzo

Regrets: Shawna Meyer-Niederman, Isadore Torry, and Donna Bernens-Kinkead

Absent: Allen Bell

CSCY: Staff Liaison - Nancy Woolery

### Guests

- Nicole Watkins
- Sylvie Choiniere, CFRD Health Projects Intern
- Shems and Madeleine (League of Women Voters)

### Welcome & Call to Order

• Meeting was called to order by Julie Warren at 5:30 pm.

### **Approval of December 2017 Minutes**

• Fiora motioned and Georg'ann seconded, unanimously approved

## Multi-Commission Bicentennial Project Update

• The committee may rename the project to the Bicentennial History Contest. The committee is comprised of members from the following commissions: CSCY, Status of Black Males, Women's, Martin Luther King, Jr, Arts and Human Rights Commissions. The contest would ask children and youth in Bloomington to write, draw/paint, photograph, perform, or otherwise present a figure or organization from our city's history that has influenced, contributed, or impacted our city in ways small and big. The deadline will likely be in the summer and will be looking to get someone with a historical background involved.

### **Staff Liaison Report**

• The city council will appoint someone to replace Amy. The annual report is due, Julie and Nancy will be working together to complete this. Black history month kick-off is February 1<sup>st</sup> at City Hall, events continue throughout the month. Nominations are being accepted for Woman's History Month. The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network's

Be More Awards are accepting nominations until 2-1-18. The Domestic Violence Conference is March  $22^{nd}$  at St. Marks United Methodist Church.

## **BTCC Update**

• On Wednesday January 18<sup>th</sup> there is an advocacy breakfast at the Village Deli, 8:00 am to discuss current state legislation. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual MC3 Summit will tentatively be Thursday December 6, 2018. There is a BTCC Cross Sector team meeting on strategic doing, January 30<sup>th</sup> at the Monroe County Public Library.

## **Review Youth Serving Agency Letter**

• Add a link to the commission webpage. Possibly add more information about the SWAGGER awards. On the last line before we list what we did this year possibly change the phrasing to: Below are some examples of how we fulfill our mission. The commission talked about only having Nancy's contact information. The commission wanted to thank Shawna for putting this together.

## **Committee Briefings**

- Advocacy
  - Develop a list of pieces of legislation for this session that the subcommittee may want to advocate for.
- Research
  - The three documents were reviewed and Nancy will send Matt requests for changes to one of them. Other subcommittees recommended that the research committee look into why childcare costs are so expensive in order to educate the public. However, it appears as though someone at the city has already done this, so the research committee will look into whether these numbers already exist.
- Partnerships/Workshop
  - Please see the Multi-Commission Bicentennial Project Update.

## **CDBG** (Community Development Block Grants) Committee Updates

- Social Services
  - Most of the proposals are for salaries and voting on the proposal will take place next week.
- Infrastructure
  - Funding was allocated to proposals last week.

# Voting for Changes in Leadership

• Amy motioned for Georg'ann to become Chair and Shawna to become Vice Chair, Fiora seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. The commission wanted to formally acknowledge and thank Amy for her time and commitment.

## Adjournment

 Georg'ann Cattelona motioned to adjourn, seconded by Fiora, unanimously approved. Next Meeting – February 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm, Hooker Conference Room (Room 245)